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FOR SCA/VO CORIDINO GATTI

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SUBJECT: CHINESE ALIEN SMUGGLING RING

REF: TAIPEI 6567

SUMMARY : A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IN TAIPEI HAS INFORMED THE EMBASSY TODAY THAT ON 9/29/76 HE WAS CONTACTED BY A "FRIEND" OF LO-JEN FU, PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN WHO IS SUSPECTED OF HAVING AIDED THE ILLEGAL ENTRY OF SEVERAL CHINESE INTO THE US.BECAUSE OF THIS MEETING WITH FU'S FRIEND, THE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE IS CONCERNED THAT FU WILL SOON MOVE HIS HOME FROM GREENSBORO, N.C. TO SOME UNKNOWN DESTINATION. END SUMMARY.

1. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE B, HUSBAND OF CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE A REFERRED TO IN REFTEL, CAME TO THE TAIPEI CONSULAR SECTION AT 9:30 AM TODAY (SEPT 30) AND TOLD THE REPORTING OFFICER THE FOLLOWING. ON THE MORNING OF 9/29/76, A MAN WHOM HE HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY MET CAME TO HIS HOME AND SAID HE HAD AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM LO-JEN FU FOR CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE B. THE UNIDENTIFIED MAN (MR. Z) SAID THAT FU PHONED HIM FROM GREENSBORO, N.C. ON THE NIGHT OF 9/28/76 TAIWAN TIME AND INFORMED HIM THAT FU AND HIS FAMILY PLANNED TO MOVE FROM GREENSBORO "SOMETIME AROUND THE END OF SEPTEMBER." MR. Z ASKED CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE B TO HAND OVER THE PASSPORTS OF

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FU'S WIFE (MEI-MEI (NEE FU) FOO) AND TWO CHILDREN

(KUO-HAN FU AND KUO-TSE FU). CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE B TOLD MR. Z THE PASSPORTS WERE TEMPORARILY WITH A FRIEND. HE SAID HE SHOULD GIVE THEM TO MR. Z TODAY, 9/30/76.

2. THE THREE PASSPORTS HAD BEEN IN THE POSSESSION OF CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES A AND B SINCE LATE AUGUST 1976, WHEN CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE A WENT TO BANGKOK FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAINING ILLEGAL ENTRY INTO THE US WITH FU'S HELP. FU'S CONFEDERATE, CHENG CHIN, GAVE THE THREE PASSPORTS TO CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE A THE DAY AFTER FU LEFT FOR THE US WITH LI LO AND CHUNG-MAO SHUNG (SEE REFTEL FOR DETAILS). CHIN TOLD CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE A SHE COULD USE THE PASSPORTS TO ENTER THE US. HE SAID SHE AND HER YOUNG SON WOULD BE MET IN THE US BY SOMEONE WHO WOULD ASSIST THEM IN ENTERING. FU'S WIFE IS APPROXIMATELY THE SAME AGE AS CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE A AND KUO-HAN FU IS APPROXIMATELY THE SAME AGE AS THE ONE CHILD WHO ACCOMPANIED CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE A TO BANGKOK. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE A REFUSED TO TRAVEL WITH HER SON ON THE PASSPORTS GIVEN HER BECAUSE THEY CONTAINED NO US VISAS AND SHE WAS NOT IN POSSESSION OF ALIEN REGISTRATION CARDS. IT IS NOT CLEAR WHY THE THIRD PASSPORT WAS GIVEN OVER TO CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE A, BUT APPARENTLY THERE MAY HAVE BEEN ANOTHER CHILD IN BANGKOK WHO WAS PLANNING TO ENTER THE US ILLEGALLY. REFTEL HAS OUTLINED HOW CHUNG-MAO SHUNG USED KUO-YANG FU'S PASSPORT AND ALIEN REGISTRATION CARD TO ENTER THE US IN AUGUST 1976, AND HOW LI LO USED KUO-LIN FU'S PASSPORT AND ALIEN REGISTRATION CARD FOR THE SAME PURPOSE.

3. ON 9/28/76 CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES A AND B GAVE TO THE REPORTING OFFICER THE THREE PASSPORTS MENTIONED ABOVE. THE PASSPORTS HELPED IDENTIFY FU'S WIFE AND CHILDREN AND GIVE THEIR ALIEN REGISTRATION NUMBERS. ON 9/30/76, BECAUSE OF MR. Z'S REQUEST, THE REPORTING OFFICER RETURNED SAID PASSPORTS TO CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE B. CERTIFIED COPIES OF THE PASSPORT PAGES WERE MADE BEFORE THEY WERE RETURNED. THE REPORTING OFFICER WILL SWEAR OUT AN AFFIDAVIT AS TO THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH HE RECEIVED THE PASSPORTS.

4. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE B SAID HE BELIEVED FU HAS CHANGED HIS RESIDENCE IN THE US AT LEAST ONCE IN THE PAST YEAR. THIS

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OFFICE KNOWS THAT FU MAINTAINED A RESIDENCE IN ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, FOR AT LEAST THE FIRST HALF OF 1975. DURING THAT TIME HE WAS ALLEGEDLY THE PRESIDENT OF THE HIP SING ASSOCIATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C. (SEE REFTEL FOR ADDRESS). WE ALSO HAVE LEARNED THAT HE CLAIMED TO BE THE PRESIDENT OF "INTER-OCEAN TRADING AND INVESTMENT COMPANY, INC." TWO ADDRESSES WERE LISTED ON THE COMPANY LETTERHEAD, A SAMPLE OF WHICH IS IN THE CASE

FILE: P.O. BOX 1856, ROCKVILLE, MD. 20850, AND MUNSEY BUILDING, 1329 E ST. NW, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004, TELEPHOMQ 202-347-0200. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES A AND B AND MR. AND MRS. SHUNG (SEE REFTEL) HAVE STATED THAT FU DOES NOT HAVE A STEADY OCCUPATION, BUT MAKES MOST OF HIS INCOME FROM ARRANGING FOR CHINESE TO ENTER THE US ON FRAUDULENT DOCUMENTATION. THE REPORTING OFFICER FEELS THERE IS GOOD REASON TO BELIEVE THAT OUR INFORMANTS ARE TELLING THE TRUTH IN THIS REGARD. ANOTHER PIECE OF EVIDENCE IN THIS FRAUD CASE TURNED UP IN A VISA FILE CHECK OF LI LO'S MOTHER, MRS. HWEI-YUNG (NEE CHIANG) LO, WHO IS ALLEGEDLY IN THE US AS A B-2 OVERSTAY. SHE OBTAINED A C-1 VISA IN TAIPEI ON JUNE 14, 1975 FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSIT TO COLOMBIA. SHE LISTED THE ADDRESS AT WHICH SHE PLANNED TO RESIDE IN THE US AS "16 MONROE ST., 102 ROCKVILLE, MD20850." INFORMANTS STATE THE ADDRESS IS THAT OF LO-JEN FU'S FORMER RESIDENCE.

5. IF LO-JEN FU DOES IN FACT PLAN TO CHANGE HIS RESIDENCE IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, IT IS NOT KNOWN WHAT WILL BE THE FATE OF CHUNG-MAO SHUNG, THE CHILD OF INFORMANTS IN REFTEL WHO IS ALLEGEDLY LIVING IN FU'S HOME IN GREENSBORO, N.C. HIS PASSPORT IS TEMPORARILY IN THE POSSESSION OF EMBASSY TAIPEI.

INFORMANTS MR. AND MRS. SHUNG ARE STILL UNWILLING TO MAIL THE PASSPORT TO LO-JEN FU. IT APPEARS THERE IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY THE CHILD WILL GO ALONG WITH THE FUS WHEN THEY MOVE. IF OUR INFORMANTS ARE GIVING US ACCURATE INFORMATION, WE FEEL THAT IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT INS INVESTIGATE THIS MATTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THERE IS A STRONG POSSIBILITY THAT FU WILL TRY TO EXIT THE US SINCE HE HAS REQUESTED THE RETURN OF HIS WIFE'S PASSPORT.

6. THE REPORTING OFFICER WILL BE MAKING A LONG-DISTANCE PHONE
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CALL TO CORIDINO GATTI IN THE VISA OFFICE AT APPROXIMATELY 10:00 A.M., WASHINGTON TIME, SEPTEMBER 30, TO DISCUSS FURTHER DETAILS IN THE CASE.
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